

## Section 2: Plan Development

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**This Section has substantive additions for 2009.**

### *2009 King County Government and Jurisdiction Participation (New for 2009)*

Planning for the 2009 King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan (RHMP) update is occurring in two phases, concurrently. Phase 1 is a King County Plan – Base Plan, and includes a limited number of jurisdictional annexes who were planning partners throughout the update process. Phase 2 will incorporate the majority of all remaining jurisdictions from within the County, as well as new planning partners who were not previously part of the County's plan. King County is comprised of over 154 distinct jurisdictional entities which include cities, fire districts, utility districts, school districts, special purpose districts, and others. Any jurisdiction can request to be incorporated into this Plan in a prescribed way as defined in Section 2, Plan Maintenance and Plan Management, Guidelines for Adding a Jurisdiction to the King County Regional Hazards Mitigation Plan. This process was elected because of the time constraints the County was operating under as a result of the potential flood issues surrounding the Howard Hanson Dam.

The November 12, 2009 Plan publication includes King County Government and a limited number of jurisdictions as Phase 1.

Phase 2 is anticipated to include all remaining jurisdictions who elect to be part of the regional plan, as well as any new jurisdictions who wish to add on to the base plan. Because of the issues involving Howard Hanson Dam as described in detail in Section 1, it is presently unclear how many jurisdictions will create stand-alone plans and not be part of the County's base plan, and how many will continue to be a part of the County's Regional Plan. Tables 2.1-2.4 demonstrated the anticipated involvement as of the date of publication of the Phase 1 Regional HMP.

King County OEM will continue regular outreach to all jurisdictions to ensure maximum participation in the RHMP. Jurisdictions will continue to be able to annex to the RHMP throughout the 5-year planning cycle as described in Section 2, Plan Maintenance and Plan Management.

(Historic King County 2003 / 2004 Planning Process Information has been removed from the body of the Base Plan and moved to Annex C to retain historical data and maintain ease in review of the RHMP.)

## 2009 Planning Partners and Participating Jurisdictions

In the 2004 Plan, the King County internal departments / agencies were named as demonstrated in the tables 2.1-2.5 below, and were included in the separate Annex B: King County Government Departments. For the 2009 update, the Annex B portion containing the King County internal departments / agencies has been updated and incorporated into the main body of the Plan in this Section 2, and referred to by updated names as shown in Table 2-1.1, below. The updated 2009 information is also used in Section 4, Participating King County Government and Jurisdiction Profiles.

### 2004 List

King County Facilities Management  
 King County Department of Transportation  
 King County Executive Services, Information and Telecommunications Services  
 Seattle-King County Department of Public Health  
 King County Department of Development and Environmental Services  
 King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks  
 King County Sheriff's Office

<b>Table 2-1.1: *King County Government Departments /Agencies</b> (new Table in 2009)		
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2009</b>
The departments below submitted either a Strategy and/or an Initiative in 2004		Status Updated in 2009
Dept. of Development and Environmental Services (DDES); Fire Marshal's Office	<b>x</b>	No update
Dept. of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP) Four divisions below:		
Water and Land Resources Division	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Wastewater Treatment Division		<b>x</b>
Solid Waste Division	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Parks Division		<b>x</b>
Department of Transportation (DOT)		
Road Services Division		<b>x</b>
Metro King County Transit	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Facilities Management Division (FMD)	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
King County Sheriff's Office (KCSO)	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Office of Information Resources Management (OIRM)	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Public Health – Seattle & King County (PHSKC) (Note: new name since 2004)	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>

<p><i>Source: RHMP Participating agencies; 2004 Plan</i>  <i>* King County agency participation is listed above.</i>  <i>Note: The King County Flood Control District will develop their own All Hazards Mitigation Plan in 2010.</i>  <i>Note: The department names in Table 2-1.1 are shown as they currently exist in 2009.</i></p>		

## 2009 Phase 2 - Planning

Phase 2 will incorporate and include additional jurisdictions from within the County. Jurisdictions can include cities, fire districts, utility districts, school districts, special purpose districts, and others. Any jurisdiction can request to be incorporated into this Plan in a prescribed way as defined in Section 2, Plan Maintenance and Plan Management, Guidelines for Adding a Jurisdiction to the King County Regional Hazards Mitigation Plan.

Under Phase 2 of this planning process, the Base Plan will be reformatted to better support hazard mitigation efforts on a regional basis. While Phase 1 of this process established the foundation of the regional plan, Phase 2 will focus on reassembling the regional components of the Plan. The jurisdictions listed in tables 2-2 through 2-4 below, as well as other local governments within the planning area who have not been previous planning partners will be invited to join the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan (RHMP) as a regional planning partner.

Key planning steps will be re-engaged to assure all planning partners are adequately addressed and supported by plan content and policy direction. Phase 2 will include, but are not limited to the following components:

- **Organize Resources:** the first task under Phase 2 will be to organize all eligible local governments within the planning area will be invited to link to the RHMP.
- **Revise the Risk Assessment:** The risk assessment of the base plan will be comprehensively revised to better support the ranking of risk associated with the hazards of concern for each participating jurisdiction.
- **Re-engage the public:** A comprehensive outreach strategy will be deployed that will provide the constituents of all planning partners an opportunity to comment on the Plan and its policies.
- **Re-assemble the Plan:** Once all planning phases of Phase 2 are complete, the regional plan will be reassembled into a format that clearly addresses each planning partner, and clearly illustrates compliance with section 201.644CFR for each planning partner. A key component of this step will be to clearly define a plan maintenance strategy that will assure the plan and its policies remain viable throughout the performance period for the plan.
- **Plan Review and adoption:** Since the scope of the RHMP base plan will be enhanced under Phase 2, all planning partners linking to the base plan will be required to formally adopt the RHMP as their hazard mitigation plan of record.

Additionally, this reformatted plan will be sent to the State and FEMA for their review and approval.

### Planning Partners:

The Tables 2-1 through 2-4 represent the jurisdictions that participated in the 2004 Plan, and have either been current planning partners for the 2009 update, or are anticipated to participate in Phase 2 of the 2009 Plan.

<b>Table 2-1 King County Cities</b> <i>Phase 2, 2009 information added</i>		
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2009 Phase 2</b>
City of Auburn	X	pending
City of Bellevue	X	x
City of Bothell	X	x
City of Burien	X	x
City of Des Moines		X <i>NEW</i>
City of Duvall	X	
City of Federal Way	X	x
City of Issaquah	X	x
City of Kirkland	X	
City of Medina	X	x
City of Newcastle		X <i>NEW</i>
City of Normandy Park	X	
City of North Bend	X	
City of Pacific		X <i>NEW</i>
City of Redmond	X	
City of SeaTac	X	
City of Tukwila		Pending <i>NEW</i>
City of Woodinville	X	
<i>Source: RHMP Participating agencies 2004</i>		

<b>Table 2-2: Fire Districts</b>		
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2009 Phase 2</b>
KCFD #2 -- Burien/Normandy Park	X	
KCFD #11 -- North Highline Fire District	X	
KCFD #20 -- Skyway/Bryn Mawr/Lakeridge		X <i>NEW</i>
KCFD #36 -- Woodinville Fire and Life Safety	X	

KCFD #39 South King Fire & Rescue (annexed Federal Way and Des Moines)	X	x
KCFD #40 – Spring Glen/Cascade/Fairwood	X	
KCFD #43 -- Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety	X	x
KCFD #44 -- Mountain View Fire and Rescue	X	
KCFD #45 – Duvall	X	
Source: RHMP Participating agencies; 2009 WA Fire Service Directory		

**Table 2-3: Utility Districts**

	2004	2009 Phase 2
Cedar River Water and Sewer District	X	
Coal Creek Utility District – Newcastle	X	
Covington Water District	X	x
Highline Water District		X NEW
KC Water District #19 – Vashon Island	X	x
KC Water District #20 – Burien/ Riverton/ McMicken Heights	X	
KC Water District #90 – Renton	X	x
KC Water District #111	X	x
Midway Sewer District, Kent/Des Moines	X	x
Northshore Utility District	X	
Ronald Waste Water District	X	
Sammamish Water and Sewer District		x
Shoreline Water District	X	
Soos Creek Water and Sewer	X	x
Southwest Suburban Sewer District	X	Pending
Val Vue Sewer District	X	
Woodinville Water District	X	
Source: RHMP Participating agencies 2004		

**Table 2-4: School Districts**

	2004	2009 Phase 2
Federal Way School District		Pending NEW
Lake Washington School District	x	
Vashon Island School District	x	
Source: RHMP Participating agencies 2004		

In addition to the jurisdictional planning partners, the following represents King County employees who were Planning Team Partners actively involved in the development of the King County Base Plan, serving either as subject matter experts,

or provided critical information which guided the development of all portions of the 2009 Plan.

<b>Table 2-5: *King County Employees</b> (new Table in 2009)	
Employee	Department
Chris Ricketts	King County Department of Development and Environmental Services
Joe Miles	King County Department of Development and Environmental Services
Paul Reitenbach	King County Department of Development and Environmental Services
Stephanie Warden	King County Department of Development and Environmental Services
Ameer Faquir	King County Department of Executive Services
Caroline Whalen	King County Department of Executive Services
Jim Burt	King County Department of Executive Services
Kelli Williams	King County Department of Executive Services
Marlys Davis	King County Department of Executive Services
Michael Strouse	King County Department of Executive Services
Dennis Higgins	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Jason Wilkinson	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Lauren Smith	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Allen Alston	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Brian Murray	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Larry Kimble	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Mark Isaacson	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Priscilla Kaufman	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Steve Bleifuhs	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Wendy Walkky	King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Leo Griffin	King County Department of Transportation
Mike DeCapua	King County Department of Transportation

Mike Wines	King County Department of Transportation
Deirdre Totten	King County Office of Emergency Management
Heather Kelly	King County Office of Emergency Management
Jeff Bowers	King County Office of Emergency Management
Lynne Miller	King County Office of Emergency Management
Rich Tokarzewski	King County Office of Emergency Management
Robin Friedman	King County Office of Emergency Management
Jeremy Grotbo	King County Office of Emergency Management (Americorps / Vista Volunteer)
Tony Calero	King County Office of Emergency Management (Americorps / Vista Volunteer)
John Heath	King County Office of Information Resource Management
John Klein	King County Office of Information Resource Management
Gwen Clemens	King County Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management
Chandler Felt	King County Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management
Ray Moser	King County Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management
Amy Eiden	King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office
Carol Cummings	King County Sheriff's Office
Ali Jaffe-Doty	Public Health – Seattle & King County
Dennis Worsham	Public Health – Seattle & King County
Holly Rohr Tran	Public Health – Seattle & King County
Michael Loehr	Public Health – Seattle & King County

## *2009 Planning Process*

*(New for 2009)*

A truncated planning schedule was necessitated by back-to-back disasters in January 2009 (flooding, DR - 1817) and March 2009 (snowstorms, DR - 1825) and in addition to the emergence of a significant threat of flooding in the Green River Valley. The Planning Team had to undertake various elements of the planning process concurrently, and the Phase 1 and Phase 2 approach to planning, described above, emerged as a viable alternative for the Plan's completion. Hence, jurisdictions updated their annexes while the Phase 1,

Base Plan (first 8 Sections of the Plan) was undergoing concurrent review and updates.

Commonalities in the plan development process which partner jurisdictions will rely on from the Base Plan are:

- 1) Goals and objectives;
- 2) Planning process;
- 3) Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Analysis (HIVA); (Section 5 & Section 6);
- 4) Capabilities (Section 6);
- 5) Mitigation Strategies;
- 6) Plan Maintenance; and
- 7) Plan Management.

### **2009 Planning Team Meeting Participation**

The Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning Team for King County, comprised of representatives from all participating jurisdictions shown above, met five times as a group to coordinate this 2009 update of the Plan, one meeting was a conference call. Representatives from King County departments / agencies, partner jurisdictions, and the Office of Emergency Management (OEM), initially convened on May 18, 2009. Planning Team members met again on June 15, 2009 and July 13, 2009 to discuss regional goals and strategies for mitigation and report on progress in the preparation of jurisdictional annexes. A conference call was held on September 17, 2009 with participants and the State of Washington Emergency Management Division Mitigation Strategist to discuss the Plan guidelines and crosswalk requirements and provide feedback in the draft plans submitted for review. In addition, a FEMA and State EMD Plan review and technical assistance session was held at the KC OEM RCECC on September 29, 2009, to provide one-on-one guidance to participant jurisdictions. (See List and sign-in sheets from these meetings in Annex C).

In addition, the County's Planning Team met several times weekly commencing October through plan adoption, either in person or via telephone conferences to coordinate work, conduct risk assessment and complete Phase 1 of the Regional Plan.

### **2009 Planning Team Goals and Objectives**

During the May 2009 kickoff meeting, partners elected to retain the regional goals and objectives expressed in the original 2004 Plan, shown in Section 1. These goals and objectives guided the updates of mitigation strategies and initiatives in jurisdictional annexes to the Base Plan. The Planning Team also



maintained the Base Plan structure of the RHMP, except as indicated otherwise, such as with the elimination of the King County Government Annex B portion of the plan. This document is comprised of a Base Plan (Sections 1 – 7, and Section 8, Annexes), including a statement of the regional goals and a generalized, central Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Analysis (HIVA), located in Section 5 and Section 6. The HIVA recognizes that there is a great deal of similarity across jurisdictions in regards to vulnerability and risk. More specific risk and vulnerability profiles are covered in each jurisdictional annex, where variations in geography, climate, hazards, and critical infrastructure may necessitate specialized mitigation strategies and initiatives to meet local jurisdictional needs.

While jurisdictions were updating their annexes, King County OEM took the lead on updating the Base Plan in 2009. This division of workload is consistent with the approach taken to develop the original Plan that began planning in 2003 with a FEMA approval and King County Council adoption in 2004. For this 2009 update, the Planning Team agreed that OEM should focus on updating historical information in the Plan, including general countywide changes to risk factors, specifically flooding, and the occurrences of major incidents and federally declared disasters in the history of events section of each hazard.

As partner jurisdictions completed drafts of their annexes, OEM staff reviewed the documents and provided comments and suggestions for improvement and provided information from the Base Plan while it was under development. Most annexes were completed in draft format by late August and provided to Washington State Emergency Management Division (EMD) Mitigation Strategist for advanced review. EMD provided comments back to the Planning Team in mid-September, held an hour conference call on September 17, 2009, and provided additional technical assistance to each partner jurisdiction during an all-day session on September 29, 2009 at the RC ECC. FEMA staff also participated in this effort to ensure consistency with federal regulations and mitigation planning guidance.

### **Additional Planning Process Procedures:**

During the planning process, all planning partners, both County level and local jurisdictions, were required to conduct a review of not only the 2004 County's Base Plan, but also their own mitigation plan. During this review process, they were instructed to focus on several elements and gather updated information necessary to complete the plan. This review and update also included the following:

- Ensure the governing body of this jurisdiction adopts the Regional Mitigation Plan by local ordinance.

- Contribute available geographic data necessary in the development of the Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Analysis including, but not limited to:
  - land use data
  - development patterns
  - population figures
  - infrastructure systems
  - hazard data and history of incidents
- Develop a Hazard Analysis specific to their jurisdiction, utilizing the best available science, current studies, reports, newspaper articles and oral interviews
- Develop Local Mitigation Strategies (LMS) based on both the King County Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Analysis and their own analysis. The LMS include:
  - a set of mitigation goals specific to the jurisdiction aimed at reducing long term vulnerability to hazards
  - a list of mitigation projects and actions
  - a description of how projects and actions were prioritized and implemented
- Involvement in NIFP compliance, repetitive and severe repetitive loss information, where appropriate
- Develop a capabilities assessment
- Incorporate recommendations, policies, and strategies included in the LMS into other local planning tools and methods such as land use plans, Capital Improvements Plans, site review processes, zoning ordinances, and others.
- Develop an internal schedule (or adopt the County's schedule) for plan maintenance and updating of the local jurisdiction's plan maintenance, to include LMS and geographic data contained within the KC Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan guidelines, Section 2, Plan Maintenance and Plan Management section
- Continue Public Involvement through various methods, e.g., posting of Plan on website; providing hard copies for review at public locations; during on-going open public meetings; health and safety fairs, etc.

During the planning meetings, the planning partners were instructed to review the entire Plan with their individual planning teams to determine where changes were needed respective to their jurisdiction. Jurisdictional annexes were completed in draft form, and then reviewed by State and FEMA representatives to advise of deficiencies. Thereafter, the jurisdictions completed their annexes and submitted to the State and FEMA for final review.

NOTE: A select few jurisdictions were able to complete their plans in time for Phase 1, which will be provided to FEMA for review once the Base Plan has been approved and formally adopted, but prior to the completion of Phase 2. These jurisdictions developed individual mitigation strategies, some of which

are new and some of which are carry-overs from the previous 2004 edition. Criteria for priority ranking are defined within each individual plan, and do not necessarily follow the concept utilized in the Base Plan. These jurisdictions will continue to be part of the planning team for Phase 2, and will follow the same criteria established for rating and ranking of hazards and strategies/initiatives during the Phase 2 development period.

### **King County Government Related Public Involvement**

For the 2009 Plan update, in addition to the Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning Team meetings as described above, the public has been afforded numerous opportunities to comment on the 2009 DRAFT King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Plan has remained posted online at the current link: (<http://www.kingcounty.gov/mitplan>) since its initial drafting in 2003 / 2004 with a link to OEM staff contact emails. The public has also been notified through other formal means to view and provide input on the Plan online since 2004.

For the 2009 Plan update, King County OEM published public notices in the King County Journal newspaper on December 1, 2005, and in four community newspapers on August 5, 2009, and again on October 28, 2009, including the *Kent Reporter*, *Bothell/Kenmore Reporters*, and the *Snoqualmie Valley Record* to announce the availability of the 2009 Plan online for review and input by a posted Questionnaire feedback document. *The Seattle Times* newspaper announcement was also included in October 2009. Copies of these notices are attached in Annex E.

Other vehicles were also used for Public Involvement, such as a Public Announcement made on the evening of September 29, 2009 at the King County Library System (KCLS) Board Meeting. Also, copies of the DRAFT RHMP and selected Annexes were placed in 5 KCLS Libraries, Government Section, to include Bellevue, Bothell, Redmond, Auburn, and KCLS online. A Questionnaire was also posted on the website and survey results will be included by report in Annex E of this Plan documentation. Those comments will be reviewed and, if appropriate, will be included within the Phase 2 portion of the Plan development.

A list is provided for all the Public meetings held in Annex E. Due to the Howard Hanson Dam and Green River Flood Planning efforts, which were occurring simultaneously with the Hazard Mitigation Planning initiative, all public meetings held by OEM for the purpose of collecting public input for the Regional Hazard Mitigation were restricted to gathering comments related to the remaining hazards, and not Howard Hanson Dam and Green River Flooding.

In addition to the public meetings held for the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, Emergency Management staff attended in excess of 12 meetings related to flooding as the result of the Howard Hanson Dam and Green River potential for flooding for the next possible 3-5 years, or until the repairs necessitated are ascertained by the U. S. Army Corp of Engineers (USACE).

In addition to the above, Annex E, King County Public Involvement Table 2009, Phase 1, provides a synopsis of all King County Government related public involvement methods which occurred during the five years since Plan adoption.

Any comments received from the public requests for input will be documented and become part of Annex E summary of public input documentation for this update as well as for future annual and 5-year updates.

### **2009 Planning Team External Jurisdiction Public Involvement**

The following demonstrates additional public involvement for the jurisdictions who have been involved in the planning process for this Plan update: Each jurisdiction's annex will also contain additional information concerning their public involvement.

**City of Newcastle** – Public Hearing, May 5, 2009.

**City of Pacific** – City Council Meeting, May 26, 2009.

**Water District #19** – Board of Commissioners Meeting, June 9, 2009,

**Highline Water District** – Board of Commissioners Meetings, June 17 and August 19, 2009.

**Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety** – Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting, June 18, 2009.

**Soos Creek Water and Sewer District** – Board Of Commissioners Meeting, July 1, 2009.

**Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District** – Board of Commissioners Meeting, July 20, 2009.

**City of Federal Way** – City Council Meetings, July 21, September 15, 2009.

**City of Bothell** – City Council Meeting and Public Hearing, July 14 and July 21, 2009.

**Water District #111** – Board of Commissioners Meeting, July 23, 2009.

**City of Bellevue** – City Council Meeting, August 3, 2009.

**City of Des Moines** – Public Comment Meeting, August 6, 2009.

**City of Issaquah** – Public Hearing, August 13, 2009.

**Covington Water District** – Board of Commissioners Meeting,  
September 16, 2009.

### **Plan Maintenance and Plan Management (New for 2009)**

This plan maintenance and plan management process is consistent for all jurisdictions within King County who are part of the Regional Plan. The 2009 King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan will be managed and maintained by a designated King County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Program Management staff person(s) who will monitor, evaluate and coordinate the update of the RHMP with “Planning Team” participants.

The King County Office of Emergency Management Director/ Program Manager is the designated keeper of the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan (RHMP). The King County Office of Emergency Management will be responsible for administering changes to the Base Plan, facilitating the planning process for new partners, and forwarding annual revisions to Washington State Emergency Management for review.

Ongoing public involvement will continue to be part of this Plan. The plan will remain on the County’s website, requesting input on an on-going basis. At the end of the 5-year plan cycle, State EMD and FEMA must again approve of the Plan “pending Plan adoption” by the King County Council. Plan maintenance will be the same for the Base Plan and for all jurisdictional annexes, unless the respective annex states otherwise.

Each update cycle will also include outreach to jurisdictions who may wish to join the Regional Plan, and to other partners such as businesses, academia, non-profits, or other interested parties who wish to be involved in the planning process.

All King County Departments or agencies, and any other external jurisdictions, special purpose districts, fire and utility districts, school district, or agencies intending to be planning partners in the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan during the next five year planning cycle will maintain a designated point of contact, or liaison, to serve as Mitigation Lead

representative. These designated representative will become a member of the "Planning Team". Representatives will participate in and provide future Plan updates at Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan review intervals, will track and/or administer projects, or provide information on any future development ideas or proposals for Plan review and maintenance for the next five year Plan planning cycle. A new participant can join the County's Regional Plan at any time during the planning cycle in accordance with the guidelines stated herein. Planning meetings will be convened as stated in the table below.

The annual update meetings stipulated in the 2005 RHMP, did not occur, but will be re-instituted for the current plan cycle to facilitate the flow of information within the Planning Team. The Planning Team and potential new participants will convene commencing in the summer of 2010, dates dependent upon the Phase 2 planning cycle, but to occur on an annual basis to review, discuss and record updated information. The updates will be published on the county website each year. Each participant of the 2009 King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan will meet to review, coordinate and collaborate with each other on Plan updates and/or changes. Any changes in liaison will be reported to KC OEM as they occur. Any significant sudden hazard or potential impact will be liaised in the appropriate, expected way.

Changes or additions by all RHMP participant organizations will be documented and incorporated into the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan as appropriate. Additional plan information in the following areas will be captured for incorporation in the next plan update:

- Disaster proclamation, disaster declaration, or hazard incident(s) and detailed documented impacts; additions to history of incidents section
- Changes to the functions or mission of the department, agency, or jurisdiction that impact hazard mitigation administration and any components of the Plan
- Changes, additions, or deletions in the types of project or services provided or changes in ordinances, codes, etc.
- Updates to hazard mitigation projects such as status, completion, or supporting functions and/or other programs
- Provide footnotes or endnotes updates and other documented sources
- Ongoing public involvement as described below

The table below identifies responsibilities for King County OEM Program Manager staff and generalized Plan update and Plan maintenance responsibilities for all participants.

<b>King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan (RHMP) Responsibilities</b>	<b>Department, Agency, and / or Jurisdiction Participant RHMP Responsibilities</b>	<b>Meeting Frequency</b>
Lead review process of <b>RHMP</b> and oversees Plan updates or changes; and next five year cycle Plan updates and/or timelines	KC OEM Program Manager	Meeting Convened by KC OEM.  Annually starting Summer 2010; more often during the last year of the 5 year planning cycle/ or as needed
KC OEM will develop and lead internal and external <b>RHMP</b> communications related to any KC OEM <b>RHMP</b> Plan changes or known State or Federal guideline changes; meeting announcements, etc., other	KC OEM Program Manager	Ongoing
After each hazard, the Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning Team partners will convene to determine how the hazard has impacted the jurisdictions involved and to review the RHMP Plan strategies.	KC OEM Program Manager <i>and</i> all participants; continuing and new	Incident determined
Annually, the Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning Team partners will convene to review the RHMP Plan strategies.	KC OEM Program Manager <i>and</i> all participants; continuing and new	Incident determined
Participate in <b>KC OEM RHMP</b> Plan review process	All participants; continuing and new	Ongoing
Review individual department, agency, jurisdiction, fire district, special purpose district, or school district Plan, etc; <b>AND</b> incorporate components and elements and changes into Plan to reflect current circumstances	All participants; continuing and new	Annually

Provide a copy of the changes to KC OEM once a year by the annual meeting; (or if significant, such as a Liaison change, provide to KC OEM, as it occurs).	All participants; continuing and new	Annually
Public Involvement	All participants; continuing and new	Ongoing

### Future Public Involvement

Ongoing Public involvement as part of the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan planning process will be undertaken via five vehicles, but not limited to the following:

- 1. Continued public involvement** will be through published annual announcements in selected newspapers soliciting the public's RHMP Plan review and public comments or input and will be posted on the County website. The public is invited to attend to provide oral or written feedback to the KC OEM designated Mitigation staff person, or to a designated King County email address.
- 2. Notification of any future public meetings** on the update of the KC Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan will be advertised in local newspaper(s). The KC OEM designated Mitigation staff person will be responsible for providing prior notification of any King County Government meetings to the newspaper(s) with times and dates.
- 3. Hard copy of Plan.** A hard copy of the DRAFT 2009 RHMP Plan, has been made available to the public on October 22, 2009 at five geographically dispersed King County Public Libraries, identified as Bellevue, Bothell, Redmond, Auburn, and KCLS online Libraries. The Plan is a Reference copy only found in the Library Government Section and cannot be taken off the premises. When Plan updates are available, the Plan "guts" will be provided to KCLS for redistribution into the hard copy, 3 ring binders A portion of this Plan, Annex G, is exempt from disclosure under RCW Section 42.17.310(1)(ww) of the Public Disclosure Act, RCW 42.17 250 et seq.
- 4. A Web Version Copy of this Plan Document** The DRAFT 2009 RHMP also will be available for the public on the KC OEM's website, 10/02/09 version. A portion of this Plan, Annex G, is exempt from disclosure under



RCW Section 42.17.310(1)(ww) of the Public Disclosure Act, RCW 42.17 250 et seq.

5. **Ongoing feedback** will be requested from the public by the King County Office of Emergency Management, and participating jurisdictions. The public will be encouraged to provide feedback in a statement called Request for Input, placed where the Plan is posted on the City website, that includes contact information for KC OEM's designated staff Mitigation person(s).

**Guidelines for Adding a Jurisdiction to the King County Hazard Mitigation Plan (new for 2009).**

These guidelines were developed in cooperation with the Washington State Military Department, Emergency Management Division, Mitigation Section. This guideline has been incorporated into the Plan as part of the 2009 King County Plan update.

1. The jurisdiction wishing to join the Plan contacts the King County Office of Emergency Management with a request to become a participant of the Plan by filling out the RHMP Letter of Intent document in **Annex B, 1.1. Letter of Intent Signatory Form RHMP 09.**
2. The King County Office of Emergency Management provides the jurisdiction with a copy of the approved plan, planning requirements and any other pertinent data.
3. The jurisdiction reviews the Plan and develops the portions of the Plan that are specific to the jurisdiction as directed by King County Office of Emergency Management staff. This portion of the Plan must meet the requirements of the current FEMA Local Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning Guidance including a public involvement process and documentation.
4. The new jurisdiction submits its portions of the Plan to the King County Office of Emergency Management and the new jurisdiction Plan is forwarded to the State Hazard Mitigation Strategist for review and compliance with current FEMA Local Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning Guidance and amendments.
5. The State Hazard Mitigation Strategist reviews the new jurisdiction plan for compliance with current local hazard mitigation planning guidance in conjunction with the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. If the new jurisdiction Plan does not meet the required standard, the State Hazard Mitigation Strategist will work with the jurisdiction to resolve issues until it does.

6. The State Hazard Mitigation Strategist forwards the new jurisdiction plan to FEMA Region X for review and approval.
7. Upon approval from FEMA Region X and adoption by the governing authority, the new jurisdiction is considered part of the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan and will comply with the update schedule of the Plan and the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

## **2009 Adoption of Plan and Documentation**

On November 12, 2009 the King County Administrative Team transmitted copies of the entire KC RHMP to the King County Council, which clears the way for King County to formally adopt the Plan. The King County Administrative Team also transmitted copies of the entire KC RHMP on November 12, 2009 to State EMD for review and submission to FEMA for concurrent review and approval. This 2009 King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan (RHMP) document will be adopted by the King County Council on November 23, 2009, by Ordinance # XX (See **Annex D**, Items XXX). The King County Council adoption dates and all documentation for the KC RHMP will be found in Annex D. State EMD and FEMA conditionally approved the Plan on November XX. A copy of the approval confirmation documentation of the Plan will be provided in **Annex D** after Plan approval is granted by State EMD and FEMA. As part of Phase 2, each specific partner jurisdiction adoption documentation will be found in each jurisdictional Plan located in **Annex B**.

## **2009 Incorporation of Plan Components into other Plans**

Appropriate RHMP Plan elements and components will be referenced into the King County Comprehensive Plan appropriate sections, added into the next iteration of the Comprehensive Plan, the King County Countrywide Planning Policies (CPPS), Capital Improvement Plans, land use regulatory authority and any other appropriate King County Plan revisions.

## **Implementation of the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan**

The same implementation process was utilized in the 2009 Plan updates as with the 2004 Plan, as follows:

All signatory agencies to the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan will implement their designated strategies through the following funding mechanisms unless otherwise designated in their individual annexes:

- Capital Improvement Program Budgets
- Operations Budgets

- Grant Proposals where available
- Expansion of Public Education program scope
- Proposals for bond levies where applicable

Most signatory agencies operate on annual budget cycles. Some large projects may require implementation over multiple budget cycles (pipeline replacement is an example). Progress and changes were addressed in the regular revisions of this Plan by all signatory agencies as noted under Plan Administration and Maintenance below.

Signatory jurisdictions, departments and agencies as part of the 2009 RHMP are responsible for the maintenance of their individual strategies, revision of incomplete mitigation initiative efforts, and submission of those changes to the King County Office of Emergency Management for review by the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Planning Team. RHMP amendments, revisions and additions are to be provided to the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Planning Team, annually, for review. Changes to RHMP Sections 1 through Section 8, Annexes, will be affirmed by the impacted King County internal government department managers.